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Re Application of

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Application No.: 09/673,671
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AND METHOD OF USE

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**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT,
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Further to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed May 30, 2003 in the above-identified application, Applicant has amended the previous Response filed May 12, 2003 to even more explicitly set forth the status of each claim.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 11, 2003, Applicant elects Group 4, containing Claims 25-31, drawn to a slide system including electrical conductors. This election is made with traverse. Traversal is on the grounds that a search of the art for one group of claims will necessarily include a search of the art for the other groups of claims. Further, it is believed that the burden on the Examiner to examine all of the claims in a single application is less than the burden on the Applicant to prosecute multiple applications.